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The reply filed on 5/27/2005 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following reasons. The Applicant filed a Response to Election-Restriction Requirement on 1/27/2005. An Office Action was subsequently mailed on 5/17/2005, which acknowledged the Applicant's election and included several grounds of rejections. It appears that the Applicant has filed an exact copy of the 1/27/2005 Response to Election/Restriction Requirement on 5/27/2005, which does not address any of the rejections from the 5/17/2005 Office Action. Thus, the 5/27/2005 Response is non-responsive. The time period to respond to the 5/17/2005 Office action continues to run.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Matthew J. Kremer whose telephone number is 571-272-4727. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon. through Fri. between 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Max Hindenburg can be reached on 571-272-4726. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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